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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In Re Patent Application of:	:	
Yoneichi Ikeda et al.	:	
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Appln. No.: 10/087,238	:	Examiner: Tam M. Nguyen
Filing Date: March 1, 2002	:	Attorney Docket No.: 8305-217US (NP127-1)
Title: Process for Discharging and Transferring Fluidized Particles	:	

**AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**  
**(RCE)**

This is in response to the final Office Action dated August 10, 2005 (Paper No. 20050808). This response is being timely submitted by December 12, 2005 (December 10, 2005 being a Saturday) in view of the simultaneous submission of a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, including payment of fees. Further, the finality of the Office Action has been withdrawn in view of the filing herewith of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows: